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NOTES AND NEWS

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To Teachers of the Romance Languages in the United States:

You have perhaps seen some reference to the work the American Library Association is doing, in providing a library service in all the cantonments in this country, as well as in the smaller camps, naval posts and training stations. It has been found that one of the great needs in these libraries is for books in and on the Romance languages, especially French, Italian and Spanish. The demand for French books is very great, not only grammar and instruction books, but French texts generally, from the simplest to the most difficult. Classes in French have been established in all the camps, among both officers and men, and it has been found very difficult to meet the demand for books to carry these on.

The American Library Association has undertaken a nationwide campaign for books, for use in these camps and for shipment to our men overseas, and it seems to us that the teachers of Romance languages throughout the country should be happy to assist in this campaign, by making and appealing for contributions of French, Italian and Spanish books. There must be a large number of such books which can be spared, and which can certainly be put to no better use than this. Such books as are collected should be sent to the nearest Public Library.

May we count upon your coöperation?

Very truly yours,

BURTON E. STEVENSON,

For the Library War Service of the American Library Association.

ERNEST H. WILKINS,

For the Committee of the Modern Language Association on Romance Language Instruction and the War.

Through an oversight the authorship of the *Stories of Everyday Life*, mentioned in the article on French in the Pre-High School Period, was not acknowledged. They are by Mr. Archer Z. Bovée of the University High School, University of Chicago.